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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 03/09/07.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 3, 5-10, and 12-17, renumbered as 1-14.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
  - a) ☐ All   b) ☐ Some\*   c) ☐ None   of the:
    1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
    2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
    3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
  5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
    - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
      - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
    - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

**Attachment(s)**

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),  
Paper No./Mail Date 3/01/06
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit  
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),  
Paper No./Mail Date \_\_\_\_\_
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. This is in response to the Applicant's arguments and amendments filed on March 09, 2007 in which claims 1 and 10 have been amended, claims 2 and 11 have been canceled. Claims 1, 3-10, and 12-17 are currently.

### **EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Kevin M. Farrell (Reg. # 35,505) on 05/18/07 and 07/31/07.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 9, please delete "requester" and insert -- requestor --

In claim 1, line 5, after "message" please insert -- in electronic form, the notification message being entered on a web-enabled device by the requestor or conveyed by voice to a directory assistance operator by the requestor and subsequently transmitted into electronic form to provide the notification message in electronic form --

In claim 1, lines 6-7, please delete "collecting information from said requestor regarding content of said notification message"

Please cancel -- claim 4 --

In claim 5, line 1, after "wherein" please delete "collecting information from said requestor regarding content of said notification message" and insert -- providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form --

In claim 6, line 1 after "wherein" please delete "collecting information from said requestor regarding content of said notification message" and insert -- providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form --

In claim 6, line 3 after "said requestor" please insert -- or directory assistance operator --

In line 2 of claims 5 and 6, please delete the phrase "providing means for"

In claim 7, line 1 after "wherein" please delete "collecting information from said requestor regarding content of said notification message" and insert -- providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form --

In claim 7, line 2, please "an" and insert -- a --

In claim 10, line 8, after "message" please insert -- in electronic form, the notification message being entered on a web-enabled device by the requestor or conveyed by voice to a directory assistance operator by the requestor and subsequently transmitted into electronic form to provide the notification message in electronic form --

In claim 10, lines 9-10, please delete "means for collecting information from said requestor regarding content of said notification message"

In claim 10, line 12, please delete "requester" and insert -- requestor --

In claim 13, line 1, after "means for" please delete "collecting information from said requestor regarding content of said notification message" and insert -- providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form --

In claim 13, line 3 after "said requestor" please insert -- or directory assistance operator --

In claim 14, line 1 after "means for" please delete "collecting information from said requestor regarding content of said notification message" and insert -- providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form --

In claim 14, line 3 after "said requestor" please insert -- or directory assistance operator --

In claim 15, line 2 after "said requestor" please insert -- or directory assistance operator --

In claim 15, line 3, please "an notification" and insert -- a notification --

***Allowable Subject Matter***

3. After a further search and thorough examination of the present application and in view of the applicant's arguments, and amendments, claims 1, 3, 5-10, and 12-17, renumbered as 1-14 are found to be in condition of allowance.

4. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the cited prior art (Pines et al. US Pub. 2003/0007625) teaches a pre-announcement feature available to a subscriber's Wireless apparatus 6 for pre-announcing a requesting caller to the subscriber prior to connecting a requested. Pines further teaches if a number is unlisted it cannot be used to complete a call. However, if the number is listed, WAIN Connect Field Sub Table Listing is further subdivided into "masked to agent" or "unmasked agent" call. In the case of masked agent, a call can be completed but Requester does not receive the number; the number may be masked to agent or customer representative. The agent will not have access to the number and the call is simply connected.

On the other hand, the Applicant teaches, inter alia, providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form, the notification message being entered on a web-enabled device by the requestor or conveyed by voice to a directory assistance operator by the requestor and subsequently transmitted into electronic form to provide the notification message in electronic form and sending said notification message to said subscriber by text messaging and charging a fee to said requestor for sending the notification message. These limitations, in conjunction with all limitations of the independent claims, have not been disclosed, taught, or made obvious over the prior art of record.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

***Conclusion***

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Pines et al.

US 2003/0007625

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6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jean A. Gelin whose telephone number is (571) 272-7842. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:30 AM to 7:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles Appiah can be reached on (571) 272-7904. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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JGelin  
July 31, 2007

**JEAN GELIN**  
**PRIMARY EXAMINER**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean Gelin".